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TO: Laura Swan, Chair
Transportation Advisory Committee

FROM: Ashley Maher
Office Manager, Select Board Office

DATE: November 9, 2021

RE: Traffic Calming Measures on Overlook Road AND
Request for Pavement Markings on Everett Street

The Select Board at the meeting of November 8th referred the attached to you for your review and recommendations.

Thank you.

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Attachment

Cc: Daniel Amstutz, Senior Transportation Planner

from: **Eli Rosenberg** <elimros@gmail.com>
date: 10/21/2021 03:34 PM
to: <amaher@town.arlington.ma.us>

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From: **Eli Rosenberg** <elimros@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Oct 21, 2021 at 3:14 PM
Subject: Overlook Road Petition for Traffic Calming Measures
To: <mkrepelka@town.arlington.ma.us>

Hello,

I am a resident on Overlook road. We are between Washington and Summer Street.

I am contacting you because I would like to know how to go about getting our street reviewed for traffic calming measures. I was referred to the Select Board by the Arlington Police.

Our street has become a major pass through with consistent traffic of cars and large trucks. With this has come drivers speeding up and down all day, especially during the morning and 3pm - 8pm, with no regard for it being a small residential street. In the short time we have lived here, we have almost been hit multiple times when pulling out. Additionally, a lot of kids and dogs live and play on the road making it especially unsafe. Our dog was nearly hit by a speeding driver as well.

I would like to have our road reviewed and then brought to the attention of the police/traffic authority. I think speed bumps and speed signs of 20mph (there are none) would be appropriate.

Thank you and look forward to hearing from you. I hope my concern can be brought to the attention of the appropriate parties.

Best,

Eli Rosenberg
857-636-0323

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Sent from my iPhone

from: **marc gottesman** <marcgottesman@gmail.com>
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Hello-

I live on Everett St at the intersection of Everett St. and Mass Ave. You may or may not anecdotally know that Everett st. is a one-way cut-through street that feeds from Broadway to Mass Ave. Thus, there are lots of cars that come down Everett st. that are not local vehicles.

Every single day, morning, and night — especially at rush hour — cars that are stopped at the end of everett st. have the choice of turning left or right onto Mass Ave. And 99% of all cars that reach the end of Everett stay to the right side of the road—regardless of whether they're turning left or right.

There are currently no street markings at the end of Everett St. **I'm requesting the town to paint a white solid line at the end of Everett St. with turn arrows on either side of it.** This would signify to the drivers turning left to stay to the left side of the road. And to the right-turning drivers, it would signal them to stay right. (see the photo below/attached). Overall, the traffic flow would be better especially at rush hours.

I'm specifically requesting this because three times in the past two weeks, I saw two drivers who were both turning left both stopped side by side at the end fo the street, and both of them vying to turn left from their positions — one from the right side of the road, one from the left side of the road.

We would like markings/signage to indicate: **If you need to turn right, stay right. If you need to turn left, stay left.**

Please let me know if this is possible! And thank you!

